Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 03-05-06

Issued at: Fairbanks, Alaska

September 21, 2006

Effective Date: 11:59 PM September 24, 2006

Expiration Date: June 30, 2007 unless superseded by subsequent

emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the portion of state registration permit hunt RM764 for antlerless moose in **Zone 2** in Game Management Unit 20A. Zone 2 consists of that portion of Unit 20(A) bounded by a line beginning at the confluence of Tatlanika Creek and the Tanana River, then southerly along the east bank of the Tatlanika Creek to the Rex Trail, then easterly along the south side of the Rex Trail to Gold King airstrip, then from Gold King airstrip along the trail's extension along the north side of Japan Hills to the Wood River, then north of a line from the intersection of the Rex Trail and the Wood River to the mouth of the Little Delta River, then westerly along the north bank of the Tanana River to the east bank of Tatlanika Creek. Zone 6 was closed earlier this fall by a previous emergency order. All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20A are unaffected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 84.045(a)(18), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are in effect for hunting moose:

Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 20(A), the Ferry Trail Management Area, Wood River Controlled Use Area, and the Yanert Controlled Use Area

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Resident **Open Season** (Subsistence and Nonresident **Units and Bag Limits General Hunts**) **Open Season** 1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch Sept. 1 – Sept. 25 antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow (General hunt only) tines on one side; or 1 antlerless moose by registration permit Aug. 25 – Feb. 28 only; or 1 bull by drawing permit only; up to 500 Sept. 1 – Sept. 25 permits my be issued; or Nov. 1 - Nov. 301 bull by drawing permit only; by muzzleloading firearms only; up to 75 permits may be issued

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

issued

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side; or

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; by muzzle-loading firearms only; up to 75 permits may be

Unit 20(A), that portion bounded by a line beginning at the confluence of Tatlanika Creek and Tanana River (at 64°35'11"N, 148°40'54"W), then southerly along the east bank of the Tatlanika Creek to the Rex Trail, then easterly along the south side of the Rex Trail to Gold King airstrip, then from Gold King airstrip along the trail's extension along the north side of Japan Hills to the Wood River, then north of a line from the intersection of the Rex Trail and the Wood River to the mouth of the Little Delta River, then westerly along the north bank of the Tanana River to the east bank of Tatlanika Creek **RESIDENT HUNTERS:**

Sept. 1 – Sept. 25

Nov. 1 - Nov. 30

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or	Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 (General hunt only)	
1 antlerless moose by registration permit only; or	Aug. 25 - Sept 24 (General hunt only)	
1 bull by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits my be issued	Sept. 1 – Sept. 25	
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side		Sept. 1 - Sept. 25
Unit 20A, that portion bounded on the west by the west bank of Delta Creek, bounded on the north by the north bank of the Tanana River, bounded on the east by the west bank of the Delta River, and bounded on the south by the Alaska Range divide		
RESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or	Sept. 1 – Sept. 25 (General hunt only)	
1 antlerless moose by registration permit only; or	Aug. 25 – Sept. 4 (General hunt only)	
1 bull by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits my be issued	Sept. 1 – Sept. 25	
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side		Sept. 1 - Sept. 25

Remainder of Unit 20(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or	Sept. 1 – Sept. 25 (General hunt only)	
1 antlerless moose by registration permit only; or	Aug. 25 – Feb. 28 (General hunt only)	
1 bull by drawing permit only; up to 500 permits my be issued	Sept. 1 – Sept. 25	
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side		Sept. 1 - Sept. 25

All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20A remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

McKie Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to: ______

Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

In 2006, the Board of Game authorized an antlerless moose hunt in Unit 20A to run from August 25 through February 28, unless closed by Emergency Order. The Department set a quota of 700 antlerless moose for the 2006 season. To optimize the distribution of the harvest, the department divided Unit 20A into 7 hunt zones and established individual quotas for each zone based on estimated moose abundance. The reported harvest of antlerless moose in Zone 2 in Game Management Unit 20A is projected to reach the desired harvest level of 175 by midnight on September 24, 2006.